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NEWS AND COMMENTS.

Pungent Paragraphs Touching the Important Events of the Day.

Ice cream soda is said to be a cold proposition.

This long silence of Mrs. Carrie Nation is alarming.

An injunction to restrain a man from running away from his wife is the latest legal wrinkle.

Sam Cook has been put off the track and now Judge Gantt is the boddler's candidate for governor of Missouri.

A recent lecture on wireless telegraphy brought out the fact that communication can be carried on between points 3,000 miles apart.

A serious collision occurred between a street car and automobile in Indiana the other day, and for a wonder the street car lived to tell the story.

Some people who object to newspaper publicity when they are doing wrong are willing to pay a good price for it when they have something to sell.

Sam Frost and Emma Winters were married in Omaha recently. An exchange says if they follow the president's advice they will probably raise a flock of icicles.

All over the United States the question of good roads for the country district is being agitated. It is of equal value to the city property owner as it is to the farmer.

Instead of wasting time in fruitless inquiries the Interstate Commerce Commission would be of public service by inaugurating a vigorous crusade against discriminating freight rates.

According to the census statistics, the combined poultry and egg product of the United States exceeds the value of the entire output of precious metals and is six times greater than the wool product.

The Boer war cost Great Britain \$825,000,000, increasing the British debt to \$4,000,000,000. This was paying an exorbitant price for a painful experience in which not much was accomplished and very little learned.

All good republicans are now taking a seat in the Roosevelt band wagon. When the convention meets next summer, his will be the only name that will be presented for the first place on the ticket. The harmony in the party is all that anyone could wish.

Women of the day are putting no limit to the scope of their possibility, says the Baltimore American. The lady sandbagger and the lady ambulance surgeon have both arrived, and both, doubtless, will do good work in their respective specialties as the men.

Marion Harland says that no girl should be ashamed to do housework; it is a most womanly accomplishment. One can never be a really good housekeeper unless one has a practical knowledge of even the humblest work in the house. It is a fallacy, for no one can command well who has not served. Learn to do and know how to direct.

The press of the entire country devoted columns previous to July 4th in a strong effort to curb the nonsensical methods which have prevailed for years to show the patriotism of the people, but in spite of argument and warning the list of dead and maimed is larger this year than ever before. The fool-killer must have taken a day off.

An item is going the rounds to the effect that the New York Times is about to erect the tallest newspaper building, 375 feet high, stories galore all fitted up in modern fashion a basement through which will run the electric railways traversing the island and a tower effect that takes the curse of ugliness from the architectural appearance hoodooing so many skyscrapers. It is pleasant to note the prosperity of brother newspaper men, and it adds to that pleasure when they consider the beautiful as well as the useful in building.

A newspaper whose columns overflow with advertisements of business men, has more influence in attracting attention to building up a town than any other agency that can be employed. People go where there is business. Capital and labor go where there is an enterprising community. No power on earth is so strong to build up a town as a paper well patronized, and its power should be appreciated. The man who overlooks his town paper injures himself by injuring his town and townsmen.—John Wannamaker.

A Letter From India.
VIKARABAD DECCAN, INDIA,
May 27, 1903.

MY DEAR FRIENDS—Our schools closed on the fifteenth of this month for the first time in the history of our mission work here. A public entertainment was given with such success that it will probably not be the last time. The school boys and girls recited and sang both in English and Telugu and did very nicely for their first attempt. At the close of the program a collection was taken for the benefit of the Conference educational fund. This cause undertakes to educate the children of our deceased Eurasian and native ministers. The offering made amounted to five dollars, besides a gift of seven dollars or so received from a Mohammedan nobleman in attendance for our schools.

The next morning bright and early this Mohammedan nobleman, said to be the richest in Hyderabad, sent servants to call or invite us to his house, but the reply went back from my servants that "missus was still sleeping." (Surely after such a hard day's work a charity should be exercised if one does sleep late the next morning.) Hardly had I had my breakfast until the servants came to call us again. As it was then quite warm in the sun I said if he sent his carriage for us we would come—it was too hot for us to walk. Of course the Mohammedan thought we must be somebody great to give orders to him that way and the carriage came. Mrs. Gasden, Miss Wood, Miss Carter—my guests at the time—and your humble servant constituted the party. That carriage ride! After months of traveling in ox-carts it seemed too good to be true. I fear I would far rather have ridden on and on than to have gone into the dirty ill-smelling house of the nobleman.

We were cordially received and led at once into the zenana to see the Mohammedan women, wives and servants of this man. On the way we passed through what was meant to be a beautiful hall and stairway, but oh! the dirt. Scraps of food lying around, cobwebs, dust and disorder were everywhere apparent. A little further we saw a woman lying on the floor and asked if she were sick, to which they indifferently replied in the affirmative. A sick servant in a Mohammedan house stands very little show of getting well if her case be at all serious for no attention is paid to her and no medicine provided, usually.

The chief wife sat on a sheet spread on the floor, with hard pillows to loll upon scattered all around her. She was a rather old woman and perhaps in her youth had been very pretty. Now her complexion was muddy from long years of inactivity and her teeth discolored by the beet-nuts and other condiments so palatable to them. She was rather shabbily dressed but her person was heavily adorned with jewelry. Great heavy gold rings on her fingers and toes, gold bracelets in profusion, besides the earrings and necklace she wore bespoke a small fortune laid up in themselves.

When we asked her if she had any children the servants standing by said that she had a boy and a girl, both married and living far away, but later the wife herself said that she had not a child. The explanation is that it is considered such a misfortune, almost disgrace, for a wife to have borne no children that the servants to shield their mistress from our contempt—and probably to do themselves a good turn by increasing her favor for them—had deliberately lied.

While others were talking with her I took the opportunity to look around. Near me stood a tall handsome woman elegantly clad in yellow satin pajamas, fine net upper garment with a beautiful green silk cloth draped around her person. She too wore great quantities of jewelry. I judge that the gold bracelets on each arm covered at least a space of six inches if not more. How proud she was! One could readily guess that she was one of the wives and doubtless a favorite, for she was the mother of two beautiful little girls. From the expression she wore it was evident that she took no orders from anyone. The quarreling which goes on among the many wives of one man is something scandalous. Still back of me was another woman whose dress and attitude denoted that she too was a wife and in good favor with the nobleman. But she had none of the beauty or spirit which the other seemed to show. Alas! for beauty or pride if it be the slave of that tyrant habit—opium. A few hours later this queenly woman was drowsy and stupid from the effects of that poisonous drug.

Opium eating is a common habit among the Zenana women. They had no work nothing to employ their hands or brain and they are easy prey to vice. Not only do the women eat opium but they feed it to their we-

babies to keep them from crying and being troublesome.

I have heard but have forgotten exactly how many wives this Mohammedan is said to have but it is no small number yet he has not a son to inherit all his vast wealth and care for his establishment when he shall have been called to leave this life. There are daughters but a man in the Orient feels poor indeed if he has no sons.

When we left the Zenana we were again received by the nobleman. No one would have taken him to be of very high birth or of very great wealth if they judged from his manners or dress, for his clothes were such as the poorest people wear and as for his manners—well he smoked his Mohammedan hukka all the time we were there and let the vile smoke blow in our faces. Yet it is only due him to say that he meant no insult—he knew no better. Near him his musicians were playing and singing. Such noise! It reminded me of a lot of little boys organized into a military company with tin pans for drums. We were told that the musicians always entertain him before his meals and in the evening before he retires, but it seems to me such a racket would drive away rather than induce sleep or appetite either.

Upon leaving we presented him with a new testament in Arabic—his mother tongue. He accepted it and seemed pleased. Would that he should read it again and again until the light of God's truth shall shine in his darkened heart transforming him into one of the Lord's own!

Very Sincerely,
ELIZABETH J. WELLS.

The Moss Worm Medicine.

H. P. Kumppe, druggist, Leighton, Va., writes: "One of my customers had a child which was sick, and threw up all food, could not retain anything on its stomach. He bought one bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and it brought up 119 worms from the child. It's the best worm medicine in the world." White's Cream Vermifuge is also the children's tonic. It improves their digestion and assimilation of food, strengthens their nervous system and restores them to the health vigor and elasticity of spirits natural to childhood. 25c at W. R. Barton's.

Democratic Opportunities.

Republicans believe in good money, on a gold basis. In the scheme of being unlike it behooves the Democrats to indorse silver at the Bryan ratio. Republicans believe in Protection. Therefore let the democrats howl Free-Trade. Republicans believe in prosperity and have labored with success to secure this. The Democratic programme, therefore is to howl in favor of the good old hard times, with Coxy armies and soup houses. Republicans make no secret of believing in the institution miscalled "imperialism," and but partly described by the word "expansion." They want the country to grow and rejoice that it is growing. They regard the taking of the Philippines as having been a duty that to evade would have been cowardice. They assert that to keep the Philippines is the destiny of this people, and that this course is the only one consistent with honor, redounding to the credit of the United States, and to the benefit of the islands. They hold that the record of the army has been clean and honorable, that the American soldier fighting under a tropic sun does not by this act become a bandit, a thief, or an assassin.

All these points are cited simply for the purpose of throwing a preserver to Democracy as it founders in a slough of uncertainty. It is different from Republicanism now, but if it wants to increase and emphasize the difference, the way is easy enough.—Tacoma "Ledger."

Repulsive Features.

Blackhead, pimples, greasy faces and muddy complexion, which are so common among women, especially girls at a certain age, destroying beauty, disfiguring, and making repulsive features which otherwise would be attractive and refined, indicate the liver out of order. An occasional dose of Herbine will cleanse the bowels, regulate the liver and so establish a clear, healthy complexion. 50c at W. R. Barton.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Climate and Crop Bulletin of the Weather Bureau, Missouri Section, for Week Ending Last Monday.

The mean temperature of the past week was considerably above the normal throughout the state and there was a high percentage of sunshine. Scattered showers fell on the 10th and 11th and in some localities the rainfall exceeded 1 inch, but over much the greater portion of the state it was very light. Good showers are much needed in nearly all sections.

Corn is generally making a rapid growth but in most sections is needing rain, and in some districts it will soon be injured should dry weather continue. A large portion of the crop has been laid by and the earliest is tasseling. In some districts there is complaint that it is tasseling low. Replanted corn on overflowed land is growing nicely, except in localities where the ground is cloddy and dry. The weather has been exceptionally favorable for harvest and haying and work has progressed rapidly. Wheat is practically all cut and much of it has been stacked. Threshing is in progress in all sections and the yield is generally light except in some of the central and northern counties. Many correspondents in the southern sections report a yield of only 2 to 6 bushels per acre. Oat harvest is progressing rapidly and while a good yield is reported in many counties, in some the crop has been greatly damaged by rust and lice. Except in a few localities a heavy crop of timothy hay is being secured in excellent condition, although there is considerable complaint that it is quite weedy. Pasture continue in good condition as a rule, but are needing rain. Cotton, in the southeastern counties, is growing rapidly and is beginning to bloom. Melons are late but are now doing well in Butler, Dunklin and Scott counties, though needing rain in localities. Cantaloupes are doing well in Howell county. Flax has improved in Bates county and some will be cut this week. Tobacco is looking fine in Putnam county. Gardens are generally doing well but need rain in some districts. Apples are still dropping considerably in localities. Blackberries are ripening and are being injured to some extent by the hot sun and dry weather.

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Unless the governor interferes Milan will have a hanging next Friday when Jasper Privitt will pay the penalty for killing John W. Wolf some time ago.

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Next Tuesday will be circus day in Chillicothe. Quite a number from Laclede will attend.

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LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Thursday's Review Furnished by Rice Bros. Commission Co., Kansas City.

Four days cattle receipts aggregate 28,000 head. With today's light run and active trading, fat cattle values are not more than ten cents lower than a week ago; nothing sold here above \$5.00. The per cent of western cows and calves was abnormal; the week's supply of veal calves breaks all records. Packers have been buying very good calves around \$3.50 per cwt.

Farmers have not been able to come to market for stock cattle on account of the rush in haying and harvesting. The runs of medium stock cattle have been heavy, and prices continue lower than at any time since the dry summer of 1901. Stock cows, heifers and bulls meet no demand. To-day's hog market open 10 to 15 cents higher and closed with nearly 5 cents of the advance lost. Prices are not more than 10 to 20 cents different from last Thursday's quotations, after sharp fluctuations from day to day.

The bulk of heavy weights sold at \$5.30 to \$5.40; light weights, \$5.35 to \$5.40. The extreme top on lights was \$5.45.

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Burlington Route.		TIME TABLE.		A—Daily except Sunday.	
LACLEDE TRAIN SERVICE.		ARRIVE		DEPART	
15	For Kansas City, St. Joseph, Omaha, Nebraska, Colorado, Pacific Coast from St. Louis and Han. Local passenger for Kansas City from Brookfield	6:30 a.m.	6:40 a.m.	11:40 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
16	Local passenger to Missouri River and west from the east.				
17	"The Burlington Northern-Pacific Express" for Kansas City, Northwest Nebraska, Black Hills, Wyoming, Montana, Washington, Puget Sound, Portland from St. Louis.	3:19 p.m.			
18	Nebraska-Columbia Express to St. Joseph and the West from the East.	8:40 p.m.	8:45 p.m.	7:05 p.m.	7:10 p.m.
19	Way freight, west-bound.			12:45 a.m.	1:00 a.m.
20	Way freight to Chillicothe.				
21	To Hannibal, St. Louis and east from the west.	11:25 a.m.	12:15 p.m.	9:15 p.m.	9:45 p.m.
22	Local passenger to Brookfield from Kansas City.				
23	To Quincy, Chicago, Peoria, and east, St. Louis, K. & N. W. points.	10:00 p.m.	10:05 p.m.	6:45 a.m.	6:50 a.m.
24	Way freight, east bound.				
25	Way freight, west bound.				
26	Local passenger for Carrollton.	3:15 p.m.	3:25 p.m.		
27	Way freight from Moulton.	5:00 p.m.			
28	Way freight, south bound.			11:25 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
29	Local passenger north bound.			6:15 p.m.	
30	Way freight north bound (Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday).			7:45 a.m.	
31	Fast freight north bound (Thursday and Sunday only).			6:45 a.m.	
32	Fast freight north bound (Thursday only).			6:45 a.m.	

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